SLEEVES AND CUFFS.

The Former, Though Smaller, Are Highly d-More Variety In Styles. Although sleeves have decidedly diminished, they have by no means reverted as yet to the entirely plain, tight fashion. Several models show close sleeves, but they have shoulder ruffles, puffs and frills large enough to make up for the contraction in the sleeve proper. The most notable pe-culiarity about this portion of the costume is the adoption of flaring cuffs that fall ever the bands, some of them being point-ed over the back of the hand and filled in with full gathered lace ruchings; others of bell shape, with scalloped edges bound or embroidered. These cuffs are cut with the sleeve. Other cuffs are set on over the



DINNER BODICE.

sleeves and have long points at the under-side of the arm. The majority of the new sleeves have ruchings, and although they are not an absolute necessity as yet they probably will be before the end of the season. Nothing improves the appearance of the hands more than soft lace ruchings. Another sleeve has the cuff portion slashed into square tabs. These are corded, with the silk either matching the goods or in contrast, and have the usual lace frills. A few dresses have fancy cuffs made of puffs, plaited ribbon, shirred satin or india silk, and one model has a bracelet cuff made of soft silk and jet.

Dress becomes more and more varied in form and color. Nearly everything is now permissibly worn, and individual fancy runs riot. Capes and jackets are both fashionable and range from the severest

simplicity to the greatest elaboration.

The sketch illustrates a dinner bodice of white mousseline de sole. It is gathered at the neck and under a corselet of violine silk, which is trimmed with beaded gal-loons of a Persian pattern. The galloon forms shoulder straps and a belt. of violine satin extend below the belt, and coques of the same material adorn the shoulders. The sleeves, of mousseline, are puffed and have ruffles of mousseline as epaulets. The collar is also puffed. JUDIC CHOLLET.

#### FASHIONS AND FANCIES.

Perfect Taste Does Not Run to Extremes Frail Hat Trimmings.

It is a curious fact that what is in the most perfect taste is never the extreme of fashion. The mode always overreaches itself and degenerates to extravagance. This is no indication, however, that what-ever is unfashionable is in good taste, although to a number of persons who ought to know better this seems to be a cardinal rule of dress. If sleeves are generally worn large, the self considered sensible and truly well dressed woman wears hers conspicu-ously small. When fashion decrees them small, she at once decides that fashion is foolish, so wears them baggy. Scant skirts are her delight when wide ones are in vogue, and her skirts become full as the mode changes to narrow ones. She never seems to perceive for a moment that her



MOUSSELINE GOWN.

varieties are as great as those of her fash-ionable sisters, and even greater in one way, for they render her conspicuous. Yellow is much employed for the trim-ming and accessories of costumes, and green has also a large share of favor. Mauve, however, and all clear violet and

purple tones are most fashionable of any.
Tulle, lace and gauze are the dominant trimmings for hats, bodices and skirts. They are fragile, but very pretty while they last. Plaited ruffles of mauve mousseline de soie are much liked just now,

but flat trimmings are also fashionable.

An illustration is given of a toilet of An illustration is given of a toilet of straw mousseline de soie. The skirt is trimmed with a wide band of white guipure near the foot, with lace butterflies crossing it at intervals. The lining is of straw silk. The slightly full bodice is ornamented with a band of guipure, which crosses in front and forms a point behind. It is edged with pearls and passes under erosses in Front and forms a point benind. It is edged with pearls and passes under the belt, falling a short distance on the short on each side. The half length sleeves, of mousseline de sole, terminate under a bow of white taffeta and are partly covered by double graphers of culture. The chemby double epaulets of guipure. The chemisette and low, ruched collar are of white gauze. Coques of white taffets are placed at each side of the front of the belt.

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